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Letter dated 19 September 2003 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the decisions taken by the General Assembly today at the 2nd plenary meeting of its fifty-eighth session, pertaining to the allocation of items to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee).

I wish to draw your attention to the recommendations on the organization of the session contained in section II of the report of the General Committee (A/58/250). Those recommendations were also approved by the General Assembly at its 2nd plenary meeting.

May I also draw your attention to the paragraphs of sections IV and V of the report concerning the agendas of the Main Committees.

I earnestly request your cooperation in these matters.

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Annex

Items allocated to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

1. Effects of atomic radiation (item 81).

2. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (item 82).

3. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (item 83).

4. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories (item 84).

5. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects (item 85).

6. Questions relating to information (item 86).

   [The General Assembly decided that the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) should include in its programme of work a review of the recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, as provided below, and transmit all relevant comments to the Fifth Committee prior to its consideration of the proposed medium-term plan and its revisions, and the consideration of the recommendations contained in chapter III, section C, entitled "Evaluation", of the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/58/16):

86.	Questions relating to Information	A/58/16, chapter III, section B, programme 23, and A/58/90, annex

7. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations (item 87).

8. Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories (item 88).

9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations (item 89).

10. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chapter VII, section D) (item 12).

    [The General Assembly decided that the chapter of the report listed above would be referred also to the Second Committee.]

11. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories (item 90).

12. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (item 19).

    [The General Assembly decided to refer to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) chapters of the report of the Special Committee (A/58/23) relating to specific Territories so that the Assembly might deal in plenary meeting with the question of the implementation of the Declaration as a whole.]

13. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (item 32).

[The General Assembly decided to consider item 32 directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that bodies and individuals having an interest in the question would be heard in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in conjunction with the consideration of the item in plenary meeting.]

14. Election of the officers of the Main Committees (item 5).